UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re:)	Civil Action No. 00-CV-00001
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DOW CORNING LITIGATION.)	MASTER DOCKET
)	(Litigation Facility Matters)
		HON. DENISE PAGE HOOD

NOTICE OF HEARING REGARDING CASE MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES FOR OPT-OUT CLAIMS

To: Persons making opt-out claims against the DCC Litigation, Inc. in Classes 5, 6.1 and 6.2 (Domestic and Foreign Breast Implants), Class 7 (Silicone Raw Materials), Class 8 (Misc. Silicone Raw Materials), and Classes 9, 10.1 and 10.2 (Domestic and Foreign Other Silicone Products) and their counsel.

Opt-out claims have been asserted against the DCC Litigation Facility, Inc. (Litigation Facility") pursuant to Case Management Orders ("CMOs") No. 1 and 2. While those CMOs specify a series of steps to be taken with regard to opt-out claims – including motion practice, alternative dispute resolution, and litigation – the precise nature and timing of such steps was to some extent left open for later determination.

A hearing will be held to discuss the timing and nature of such steps, on September 23, 2005 at 11 a.m. in Room 237, United States District Court, Theodore Levin United States Courthouse, 231 W. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226. In connection with the hearing, the Litigation Facility, the previously appointed National Liaison Counsel for Opt-Out Claimants, Special Master Francis McGovern, and any other parties in interest may present their proposals for a further Case Management Order relating to, among other things:

- Initial motion practice
- Procedures for mediation and/or settlement of (a) *pro se* claims and (b) claims where the claimant is represented by counsel
- Other procedures affecting opt-out claims

Opt-out claimants and their counsel are not required to attend. However, they are welcome to attend and present argument on any germane issues. For coordination purposes, any claimants or their counsel who plan to participate in the hearing are asked to notify the Representatives of Opt-Out Claimants in advance, care of: Leslie Bryan at lbryan@dsckd.com.

/s/ HON. DENISE PAGE HOOD U.S. District Judge